Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-11. (Canceled)

12. (Previously Presented) A method for processing an electronic message comprising: receiving an electronic message, the electronic message comprised of at least one file attachment;

saving the at least one file attachment in a user-selected memory location; creating a link to the electronic message; saving the link to the electronic message in the user-selected memory location.

- 13. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 12 wherein the link is created and saved such that the link is displayed in the same file as the file attachment, the link configured to display the electronic message after the link is actuated.
- 14. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 13, wherein the <u>at least one</u> file attachment has a file name that is changed when the at least one file attachment is saved.
- 15. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 14, wherein the link is comprised of a name that is comprised of the changed file name.

- 16. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 12 wherein the electronic message is an e-mail of an SMTP e-mail client.
- 17. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 12, wherein the at least one file attachment is saved according to a defined rule and/or in a set file structure.
- 18. (Previously Presented) A device for user-based processing of at least one electronic message, the device comprising:

an e-mail client configured to receive at least one electronic message having a file attachment;

an attachment substitution unit configured to replace a file attachment of a received electronic message with a memory location link;

a user file system configured to store the file attachment;

an attachment insertion unit configured to insert the replaced file attachment in a selected memory location in a file system;

a message link insertion unit configured to insert a message link in the selected memory location, the message link referring to the electronic message; and

a control unit configured to control the e-mail client, the attachment substitution unit, the message link insertion unit and the attachment insertion unit.

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19. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 18 wherein the message link is created and saved such that the message link is displayed in the same file as the file attachment, the message link configured to display the electronic message after the message link is actuated.

20. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 19, wherein the message link is comprised of a file name of the inserted file attachment

21. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 18, wherein the attachment insertion unit is configured to file the replaced file attachment using a modified file name.

22. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 21, wherein the attachment insertion unit files the replaced file attachment according to a user-define rule and/or a user-define file structure.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 12 further comprising replacing the at least one file attachment with at least one attachment link in the electronic message.

24. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 12 wherein the user-selected memory location is a hard disk of a telecommunications terminal or a memory accessible via a network.

25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 12 wherein the link is a backlink.

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26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 12 wherein the user-selected memory location is a file of a file system, the file system stored on and/or maintained by an electronic device selected from the group consisting of computers, telecommunications terminals and networks.

27. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 18 wherein the message link is a backlink.

28. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 18 wherein the user-selected memory location is a file of a file system, the file system stored on and/or maintained by an electronic device selected from the group consisting of computers, telecommunications terminals and networks.

- 29. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 18 wherein message link insertion unit is configured to insert a message link in the selected memory location such that the link is displayed in the same file as the file attachment, the message link configured to display the electronic message after the link is actuated.
- 30. (Previously Presented) The device of claim 18 wherein the message link insertion unit is comprised of backlink generation means.

31. (Currently Amended) A device for processing of at least one electronic message, the device comprising:

an e-mail client configured to receive at least one electronic message having a file attachment;

a user file system configured to store the file attachment in a file of a file system;
a display device configured to display the file attachment objects stored in the file of the file system when the file is accessed by a user;

a message link insertion unit configured to insert a message link in the file of the file system such that the message link is displayed adjacent to the file attachment after the file is accessed by a user, the message link referring to the electronic message such that the electronic message is displayed when the message link is actuated; and

a control unit configured to control the e-mail client and the message link insertion unit.